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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

receiving an e-mail from a client, wherein the e-mail comprises a recipient identifier, wherein the recipient identifier identifies an intended recipient of the e-mail;

determining whether the recipient identifier in the e-mail that identifies the intended recipient of the e-mail comprises an e-mail address;

in response to the determining, if the recipient identifier in the e-mail that identifies the intended recipient of the e-mail does not comprises the e-mail address,
removing ~~the recipient~~ ~~recipient~~ identifier from ~~the e-mail~~ ~~an e-mail~~, printing the e-mail, ~~printing postage on an envelope, and printing~~ ~~printing~~ a street address associated with the recipient identifier on ~~the envelope, and subtracting a cost of the postage from an account associated with an originator of the e-mail;~~ ~~an envelope if a recipient identifier in the e-mail does not comprise an e-mail address;~~

in response to the determining, if the recipient identifier in the e-mail comprises the e-mail address, retaining the recipient identifier in the e-mail; ~~if the recipient identifier comprises an e-mail address;~~

sending the e-mail, if the e-mail comprises the e-mail address; and

sending the e-mail, if any other recipient identifier remains in the e-mail after the removing.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

obtaining the street address from an address book, wherein an entry in the address book is associated with the recipient identifier.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the recipient identifier comprises the street address.

4. (Canceled)

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5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

determining whether to perform the removing, the printing the e-mail, and the printing the street ~~address~~~~addressed~~ based on an option associated with the address book.

Claims 6-10 (Canceled)

11. (Currently amended) A storage medium encoded with instructions, wherein the instructions when executed comprise:

receiving an e-mail from a client, wherein the e-mail comprises a recipient identifier, wherein the recipient identifier identifies an intended recipient of the e-mail;

determining whether the recipient identifier in the e-mail that identifies the intended recipient of the e-mail comprises an e-mail address;

in response to the determining, if the recipient identifier in the e-mail that identifies the intended recipient of the e-mail does not comprises the e-mail address, removing the recipient identifier from the e-mail, printing the e-mail, printing postage on an envelope, printing a street address associated with the recipient identifier on the envelope, and subtracting a cost of the postage from an account associated with an originator of the e-mail;

in response to the determining, if the recipient identifier in the e-mail comprises the e-mail address, retaining the recipient identifier in the e-mail;

sending the e-mail, if the e-mail comprises the e-mail address; and

sending the e-mail, if any other recipient identifier remains in the e-mail after the removing, removing a recipient identifier from an e-mail, printing the e-mail, and printing a street address associated with the recipient identifier on an envelope if the recipient identifier in the e-mail does not comprise an e-mail address;

retaining the recipient identifier in the e-mail if the recipient identifier comprises the e-mail address;

sending the e-mail, if the e-mail comprises the e-mail address; and

sending the e-mail, if any other recipient identifier remains in the e-mail after the removing.

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12. (Previously Presented) The storage medium of claim 11, further comprising:
obtaining the street address from an address book, wherein an entry in the address book is associated with the recipient identifier.

13. (Previously Presented) The storage medium of claim 11, wherein the recipient identifier comprises the street address.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently amended) A computer system comprising:
a processor; and
memory encoded with instructions, wherein the instructions when executed on the processor comprise:

receiving an e-mail from a client, wherein the e-mail comprises a recipient identifier, wherein the recipient identifier identifies an intended recipient of the e-mail,

determining whether the recipient identifier in the e-mail that identifies the intended recipient of the e-mail comprises an e-mail address,

in response to the determining, if the recipient identifier in the e-mail that identifies the intended recipient of the e-mail does not comprises the e-mail address, removing the recipient identifier from the e-mail, printing the e-mail, printing postage on an envelope, printing a street address associated with the recipient identifier on the envelope, and subtracting a cost of the postage from an account associated with an originator of the e-mail,

in response to the determining, if the recipient identifier in the e-mail comprises the e-mail address, retaining the recipient identifier in the e-mail,

sending the e-mail, if the e-mail comprises the e-mail address,

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sending the e-mail, if any other recipient identifier remains in the e-mail
~~after the removing, removing a recipient identifier from an e-mail, printing the e-mail, and printing a street address associated with the recipient identifier on an envelope if a recipient identifier in the e-mail does not comprise an e-mail address,~~

~~retaining the recipient identifier in the e-mail if the recipient identifier comprises an e-mail address,~~

~~sending the e-mail, if the e-mail comprises the e-mail address,~~

~~sending the e-mail, if any other recipient identifier remains in the e-mail after the removing, and~~

determining whether to perform the removing, the printing the e-mail, and the printing the street ~~address~~addressed based on an option associated with an address book.

17. (Original) The computer system of claim 16, wherein the instructions further comprise:

obtaining the street address from the address book, wherein an entry in the address book is associated with the recipient identifier.

18. (Original) The computer system of claim 16, wherein the recipient identifier comprises the street address.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Canceled)

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